

## Tips for listening to Robert Adams audio files to get the best sound out of them

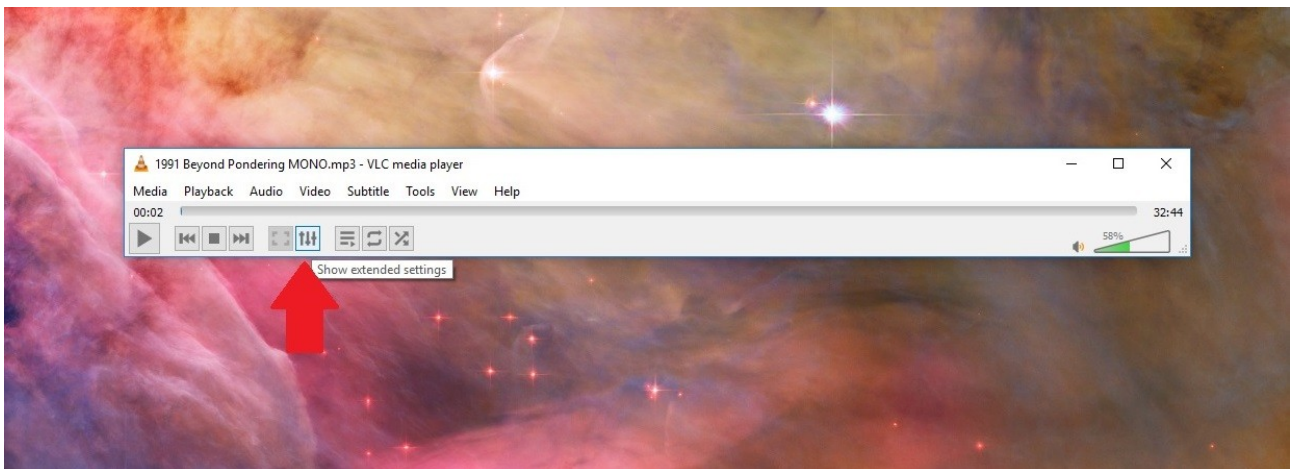
The original Robert Adams recordings were made on basic mono tape recorder's so they are not ideal as far as quality goes, but there are a few ways you can increase the quality of these dialogues when listening to them.

Download the VLC Media Player at <https://www.videolan.org>

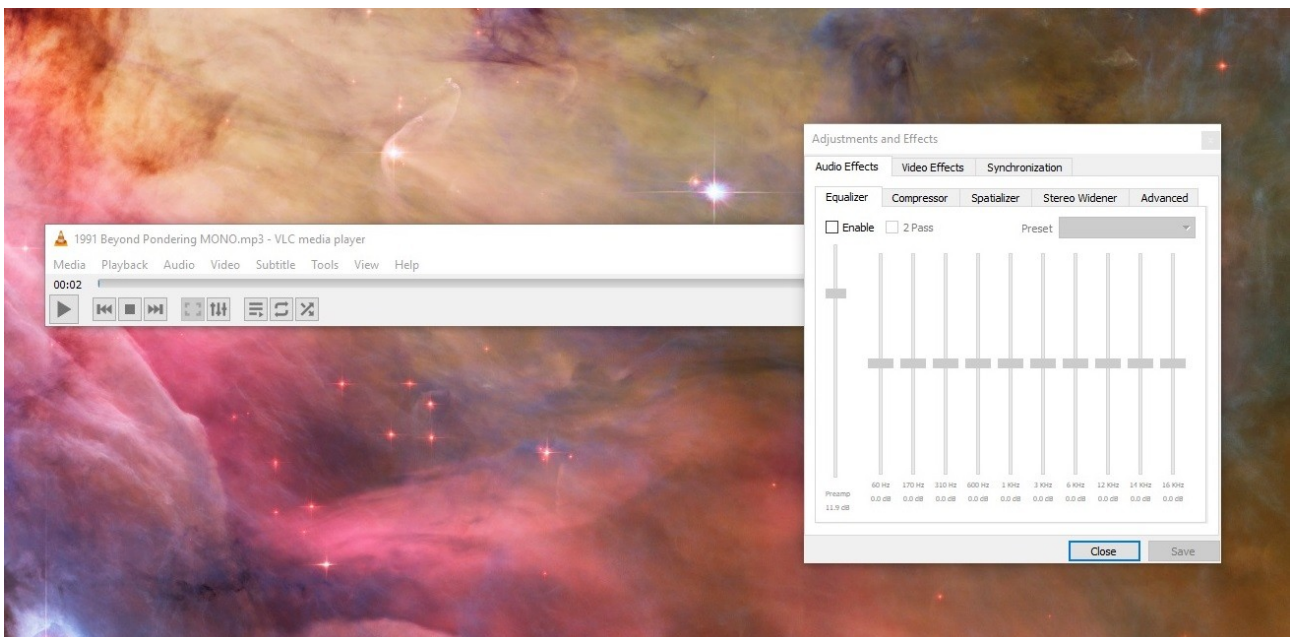
Install the player on your PC or other device.

Double click on one of Roberts audio files or drop it on the open VLC Media player to open it.

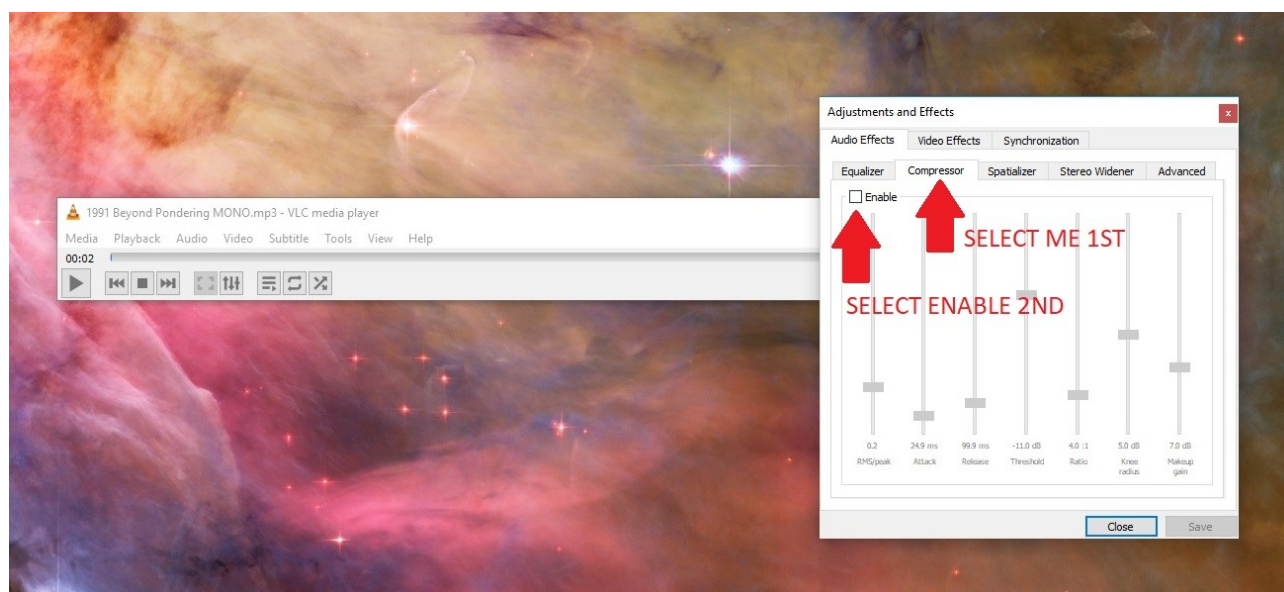
Once open select the **Show Extended Settings** option.



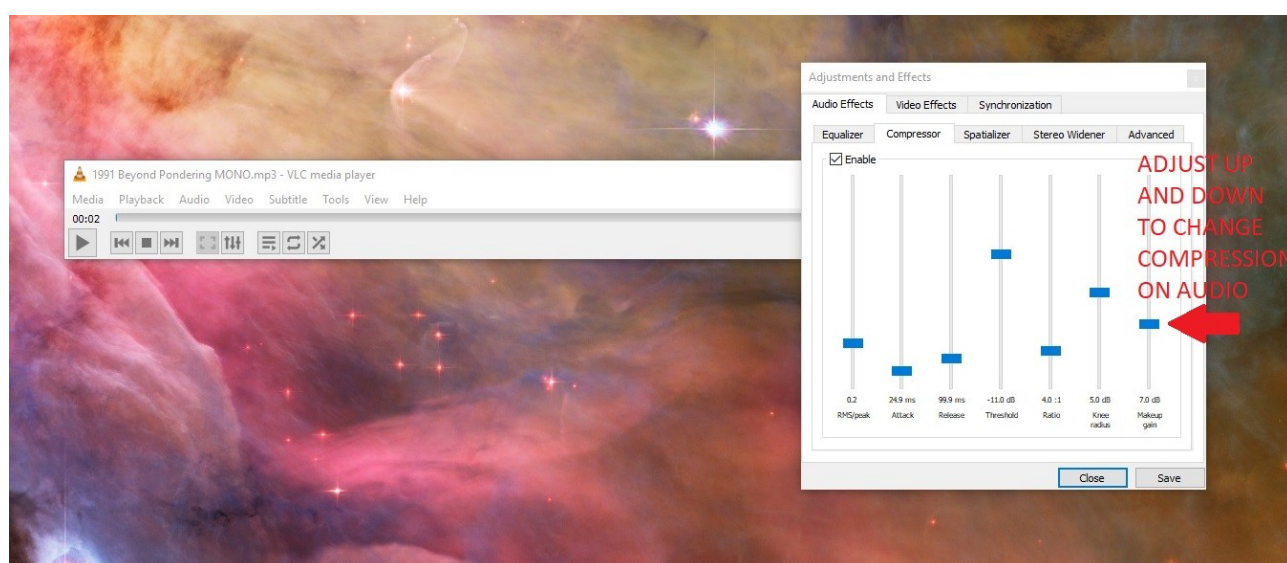
This will open the Adjustments and Effects window



Select the **Compressor** tab on the Adjustments and Effects window, then select **Enable** tick box.



Once you select the **Enable** tick box, the slider knobs will change to a blue color. Adjust the far right slide, which is called **Makeup Gain** to a comfortable level. I'd leave the other sliders as is unless you are already familiar using a compressor.



Using a compressor on the audio will give it a thicker more balanced sound which is often more intelligible without raising the volume too high, something which is important on Roberts recordings because of his Parkinson's disease affecting his speech, as well as the quality of the original audio recordings.

You can also try the **Equalizer** in the Adjustments and Effects window as well, but from experience the **Compressor** option will give the biggest change in the sound quality.

You can use this tip on all of Roberts audio including the unrestored files available on [www.robert-adams.info](http://www.robert-adams.info) and you should be able to hear and comprehend them better by doing so.